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SUBJ: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADORS: SOMALIA

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1. WHILE THE THREE GENERAL POLICY GOALS DESCRIBED REFTEL
ARE IMPORTANT -- SUPPORT FOR SOMALIA NON-ALIGNMENT, PEACEFUL
SOLUTION TO THE OGADEN AND AN EASING OF RESTRICTIONS ON US
PERSONNEL -- THE PRACTICALITY OF SOME OF THE MORE SPECIFIC
MEASURES SUBSUMED UNDER THESE HEADINGS SEEMS QUESTIONABLE.

2. FOR EXAMPLE, US DECLARATION OF SUPPORT FOR THE OAU
PRINCIPLE OF TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY ARE NOT GOING TO CUT ANY
ICE WITH THE SOMALIS. WE ALSO ARE DECEIVING OURSELVES IF
WE BELIEVE THAT EXPRESSIONS OF CONCERN ABOUT THE COST OF
QUOTE PROTRACTED CONFLICT IN THE OGADEN UNQUOTE TO THE GSDR
ARE GOING TO MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE TO SOMALI IRREDENTIST
AMBITIONS. THEY WON'T.

3. SO I THINK IT SOMEWHAT UNREALISTIC TO UNDERScore THESE
TWO POINTS. WHAT WE DO NEED TO DO IS BETTER DEFINE WHAT
WE MEAN BY A QUOTE PEACEFUL SOLUTION UNQUOTE TO THE
OGADEN CONFLICT. WE SHOULD BE THINKING OF A SOLUTION
WHICH WOULD SERVE THE PERMANENT INTERESTS OF PEACE IN
THE REA RATHER THAN THE ABSTRACTION INVOKED BY THE OAU
PRINCIPLE OF TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY. THIS IS TOO OFTEN
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A PRETENSE FOR PASSIVITY WHERE WE DON'T INTEND TO ACT
ANYWAY OR AN EXCUSE FOR ACTION WHERE WE WOULD HELP OUR
FRIENDS FOR REASONS OTHER THAN THE INVIOlABILITY OF
THEIR BORDERS.

4. I THINK THE COMMENT ABOUT ENCOURAGING THE SOMALIS
TO ORIENT THEIR POLICY TO ACCOMMODATE THE MODERATES IN

THE REGION IS GRATUITOUS. THE FACT IS THAT AT PRESENT
SOMALIA HAS MOVED CLOSER TO THE MODERATE ARABS; ITS
DANGER TO KENYA HAS BEEN GROSSLY EXAGGERATED.

5. THE SOMALIS WILL ONLY ALLOW SHIP AND AIRCRAFT VISITS
WHEN WE HAVE GIVEN THEM MILITARY ASSISTANCE. IT IS
UNREALISTIC TO EXPECT ANY CHANGE IN THE PRESENT POLICY
UNTIL THAT TIME.
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